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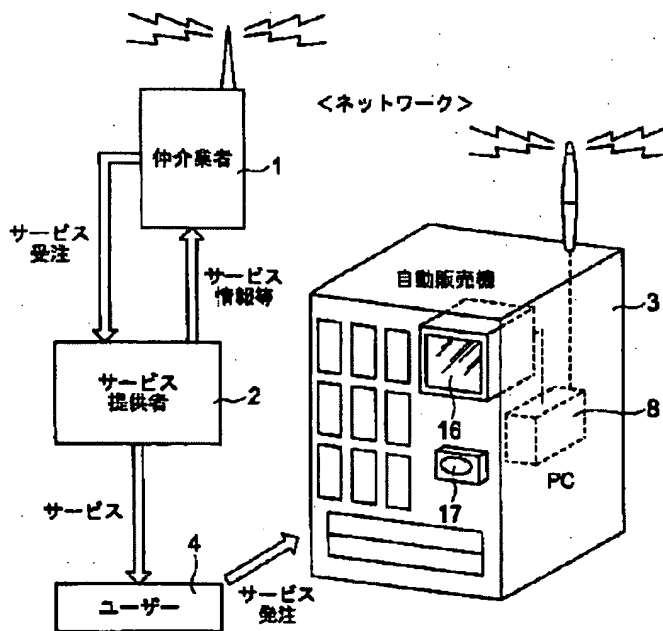
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TITLE : AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE  
WITH PORTAL FUNCTION



**ABSTRACT :** PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide an innovative automatic vending machine having both useful notice board function and a service providing function by two-way communication with a user, which can utilize the advantage of a place for setting the automatic vending machine and attain the expansion of the range of the installation location.

**SOLUTION:** In this automatic vending machine 3 constituted so as to data- control a control part 8 for controlling the sales operation of commodities through a network, the control part 8 of the automatic vending machine 3 comprises a receiving means for receiving service content information or the like from a service provider 2 through the network; a display means 16 for displaying the service content information or the like; a menu operation means 17 for selecting the service content; and an ordering means for ordering a prescribed service by the selecting operation of the menu operation means 17.

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